



EMERGENCY BILL HOLDS MEMBERS FOR LONG HOURS

The First Night Session Given to Consideration of Appropriation Items.

Waialae Road Subject of Long Debate---Hawaii Oppose the Sending After Criminals.

After caucuses and counter caucuses, plans are said to be prepared for the launching of the fight over the Long and Commission city bills in the Legislature. There has been a combination effected which it is believed will have for its result the binding together of nearly twenty votes for the scheme as proposed, and the outlook is that there will be a handy fight over the matter.

The insurgent members of the Republican camp, those who have declined to be led by the Commission and the committees in charge of party affairs are to an extent committed to the Long bill. The decision to press it ahead of the Commission's general act, was reached at a recent conference between certain members of the House. Others of the active workers on the Waikiki side of the chamber have not committed themselves to the measure and declare that they will reserve the right to make their choice as to their course of action, as soon as they have a chance to see the city bill which has been introduced.

The course which is to be followed is to move to strike out the second section of the bill, which describes the counties, and in its place insert the city bill. It is probable that there may be a combination to provide for the city and county of Honolulu, but otherwise the city bill is planned to be forced right there. This would be a victory for the maker of the Long bill, but it will be fought with vigor by the men who claim that there are two separate obligations to fulfill, and they will insist that there shall be nothing done which would indicate that the County bill could be side-tracked for anything else, even city bills.

As this matter now stands there will be no difficulty in locating the responsibility for delays. The roll will be called on every point made, there being more than the requisite five members for that purpose, and thus the lines will be closely drawn.

With the emergency bill in committee of the Whole House yesterday there was an exhibition of what can be done by the lower body. There was an all afternoon talking match between members as to certain Honolulu items, and little progress was made after that matter once got the floor.

The House, Kumalae taking the lead, without dissenting voice, called upon Superintendent of Public Works Cooper, who is now on Maui, to return in the Claudine Sunday, so that he may be examined for the benefit of the committee on Chinese Fund. The testimony of the former Secretary is needed. Pardons for the purpose of restoring civil rights brought out a lot of oratory, and the House by a good majority made the point that the Governor be requested to restore to citizenship the men who had been convicted of criminal offense in the past.

The Senate discussed the appropriation bill and disposed of it, the only changes of moment being those affecting the Board of Health. The salaries there were cut down in most instances and there was a little saving, though not much. There were as well a number of minor bills passed.

WORK OF THE HOUSE.

The Governor notified the House that Senate Bill No. 3, the Fire claims appropriation had been signed by him and had become a law. This was the first business of the House and seemed to set a pace for work which was kept up.

The House was notified of the passage of a number of bills by the Senate as follows: An act to license the retail sale of malt liquors; an act relating to the District Magistrates and Circuit Judges; an act relating to the giving notice by publication.

The Printing Committee reported that a large number of bills had been printed and these were distributed to members.

COOPER ORDERED BACK.

Jonah Kumalae began the introduction of resolutions with the following: Whereas, it is necessary for the heads of departments to be in the city of Ho-

lulu when the Legislature is in session, and

Whereas, the Honorable Henry E. Cooper, Superintendent of Public Works, is away from the said city of Honolulu, therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives that the clerk of this House be and is hereby instructed to send a message through the wireless telegraph to the Sheriff of Maui, to be by him forwarded without delay to the said Honorable Henry E. Cooper, to return to this city by the S. S. Claudine on Sunday, March 15, 1903.

FOR CHINESE FUND WORK.

In support of the resolution Mr. Kumalae said his resolution was ready two days ago but he had no opportunity to introduce it. There were many questions, among them the matter of the Chinese fund, which were being investigated and Henry E. Cooper's testimony was necessary. He said there

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MULE BLAMED FOR TRAGEDY AT MAKUA WHERE ONE MAN DIES

Pat Murphy, Foreman at Senator McCandless' Ranch, Arrested in Connection With Killing of Man Known as "Joe."

Joseph Perry, employed on the ranch of Senator McCandless at Makua, Oahu, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon, and under circumstances which caused Deputy Sheriff Fernandez to hold Pat Murphy, foreman of the ranch, until the autopsy and inquest had been concluded. At 9:30 o'clock last night a special train was sent down to Waialae carrying Deputy Sheriff Chillingworth, two police officers, Autopsy Physician McDonald and a few others. Late advice received at the Police Station after midnight were to the effect that the inquest was being held at Waialae court house and that the train would not reach the city until 3 or 4 o'clock this morning.

Joe and Pat Murphy were last seen together near the ranch house. People in the vicinity heard an explosion, such as that made by a rifle, and immediately went to the place where the noise seemed to come from. They saw Joe lying on the ground in a pool of blood and discovered that he had been wounded in the neck and face. Later inspection seemed to show that a bullet had entered the man's neck at the back and had made its exit through one of his cheeks.

From the story received at the police station it is learned that Pat Murphy was in his house when the others came upon the scene, and when Pat was

asked for an explanation of the cause of the wound he is said to have replied that a mule had kicked Joe. Joe was dead. When Deputy Sheriff Fernandez was informed of the matter he immediately set out for Makua, and upon his return placed Pat Murphy under arrest.

Murphy owns a rifle, and is said to have been in the habit of shooting dogs with it. His explanation, however, that Joe had been kicked by a mule did not bear out the result of the examination of the wounds, for they appear to have been made with a rifle bullet.

The dead man leaves a wife and four children, three by a former wife. He was a cowboy and has been working on the McCandless ranch for some time. His body was allowed to lie where he fell until some four hours later when Sheriff Fernandez arrived.

The burial of the murdered man will take place today from his late home.

The police learned that Murphy had been drinking heavily all week and that he had purchased sake yesterday morning. He said nothing. He was brought into the city early this morning.

Among the facts brought out was that Perry was engaged in hitching the mule to a cart in front of Murphy's house when the shot was heard.

When Senator McCandless heard of the affair yesterday he hastily left the Senate chamber and went to Makua on the 3:15 train.

TELEPHONE INVESTIGATION IS AT LAST UNDER WAY

Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association Committees Take Up Matter of Ultimate Capacity With Company Officials.

Without losing time, spurred on by the fact that the agents of the proposed telephone company, the Standard, are at work securing contracts for telephone service, the joint committees of the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants' Association have got down to work with the officers of the Mutual Telephone Company, and hope within a short time to be able to make a comprehensive report.

Owing to the fact that there can be nothing but courtesy arrangements for the examination proposed, the discussions which have been entered into so far have been of the most general kind. The committee has asked, and may be granted, the privilege of having made an examination of the entire plant by experts, under their direction and pay, the object being the securing of the most definite information as to the amount of equipment which is of serviceable grade and capable of giving the highest class returns.

The new officers of the company are determined that they will make the company's system of the best, if such a thing is possible. President J. O. Carter said yesterday that the company would have the new cable to the Waikiki central ready for use within the week, and that the board was now considering the plan of ordering a new cable for installation for the service along King street, the Kewalo and Punahou districts.

Another plan is for the placing of a cable to Pearl City, where a central station will be put in operation for the purpose of handling the plantation business. This, it is thought, will mean a complete service to the various estates of the island, which is now not of the best, especially after 6 o'clock.

President Carter said that it was the intention of the Mutual Company to improve the service all along the line, and he thought it possible to make it of the first grade.

There will be further meetings between the members of the committees and the officers of the company, and as soon as an understanding of the affair is reached, there will be made public a report, which, in the opinion of Chairman Macfarlane of the Merchants' Association committee, will leave nothing in doubt as to the course to be pursued by the business men of the city.

Harriman May Not Vote S. P. Stock.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAM.)

CINCINNATI, March 13.—The Federal Court here today granted the temporary injunction restraining President Harriman from voting the stock owned by the Southern Pacific Company, at the election of officers of the Union Pacific Railroad.

CASTRO WINS GREAT BATTLE FROM REBELS

Venezuelan Government Force Is Victorious After a Three Days Struggle.

March of the Revolutionists Is Stopped Nearly Two Hundred Miles From the Capital. Puget Sound Country Is Shaken.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

CORO, Venezuela, March 13.—After a three days' battle, the forces of President Castro have beaten back the strongest force of the revolutionists that has been brought against them.

The battle took place 180 miles southeast of Caracas, where the rebels had advanced on their way toward the capital after they had left the scenes of their victories in the neighborhood of Puerto Guzman Blanco.

There were about 1,000 government troops engaged, while the rebels had 1,250 men. The defeat became a rout and the revolutionists were dispersed in extreme disorder.

Mississippi at Full Flood Tide.

NEW ORLEANS, March 13.—The waters of the Mississippi continue to rise and the conditions here, and at all points up the river, are growing more serious. The danger point has passed, but still the reports from the up-river points indicate that the high mark has not been reached.

In this city the danger of flood is imminent. The dikes are still intact and there has not been reported as yet a great levee break any place along the entire lower river. The City and State are working in harmony to prevent any breaks, and the levees here are being strengthened.

The record of the height of water at upper Mississippi and Ohio river points, shows that the flood will be one of the greatest in twenty years, and that heavy losses must follow it.

Pardee Appoints New Pilot Board.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 13.—Governor Pardee has removed from office the three members of the Board of Pilot Commissioners, and has appointed a complete new Board. The action was due to the testimony adduced at the investigation of the conditions surrounding the appointment of pilots for San Francisco, there being proofs that money had been used to secure appointment.

Government by Injunction Again.

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—The judge of the United States District Court here today granted an injunction, restraining the striking teamsters from interfering with the operating of the business by non-union men, put on their trucks by the bosses. There will be a large force of Deputy United States Marshals sworn in for the purpose of looking after breakers of the injunction.

Many Rifles Are Seized.

HONGKONG, March 13.—Officers of the Chinese Customs department today seized 5,000 rifles, which had been secreted in merchandise packages. The arms were intended for shipment to the interior, where the increased activity of Boxer bands gives some anxiety.

Earthquake in the Sound Country.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—Reports have reached here of a severe shock of earthquake, felt this afternoon all over the country about Puget Sound. The shock was particularly noticeable in both Seattle and Tacoma.

Wilcox on the Way Home.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—Among the passengers who sailed today in the Oceanic liner Sonoma, was former Delegate from Hawaii, Robert W. Wilcox. The Sonoma has a large list of passengers.

Killed by Mine Explosion.

PONTIAC, Mich., March 13.—Three men were killed and fourteen injured by an explosion of fire damp in one of the great iron mines here today.